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Dean Fowler, Project Manager
Spokane County Utilities Department
1026 West Broadway
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Dear Mr. Fowler:

RE: Colbert Landfill/ Downgradient Interception System
Monitoring/Operational Control Criteria

Congratulations! Phase II is about to go into operation with the imminent start up of the groundwater extraction systems. A major milestone is about to be achieved. Hats off to Spokane County.

In regard to the operation of Phase II, the Consent Decree calls for the establishment of downgradient monitoring systems and operational control criteria. Specifically, the decree requires: 1) monthly monitoring to commence at a mutually agreed time following start up of the extraction system, and, 2) monitoring results and control criteria to be used to evaluate the performance of the extraction.

Given the imminent start up of extraction and that the construction of two extraction wells has been "put on hold", I suggest that the County, Ecology, and EPA meet in late April or early May to develop a plan and schedule to meet the above Consent Decree requirements. In the meantime, close communication will be required. If you have any questions, please call me at (206) 407-7239.

Sincerely,

Michael Kuntz
Site Cleanup Section
Toxics Cleanup Program

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cc: Neil Thompson, EPA

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